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| Application Number     | 09 / 728,602       |
| Filing Date            | 12/1/2000          |
| Group Art Unit         | 3745               |
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Lifting Platform

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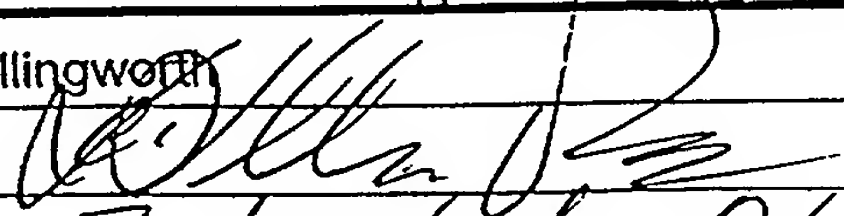
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